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London, Jan. 17.

ON Tuesday was interr'd at Weybridge in Surry, with great Funeral Pomp, the Corpse of the Rt. Hon. David Colzier, Earl of Portmore. He was sensible to the last, and about 3 Hours before his Death, received the Sacrament, (with her Grace the Dutchess of Buckingham and his Son the present Earl, in a Manner that shewed his no less Contempt of this World than his firm Belief of another. If we view him in all the Stations of a private Life, he was a dutiful Son, affectionate Brother, a kind Husband, and indulgent Parent. What his public Character was, will appear by the Honours and Employments with which he was distinguished, and his own great Actions. When but a private Colonel in the Dutch Service, he was honoured by the Prince de Vaudemont with the Command of 6000 Men, to favour that Prince's so famous Retreat, in which he succeeded so well, as to march his Detachment with very little Noise, many Miles in an open Country, tho' the Enemy's whole Army followed close in his Rear, skirmishing with him every Moment; for which and other remarkable Services, K. William created him a Baron of Scotland. The late Queen created him an Earl, and her Ambassador to the King of Portugal. Since the Accession of this *Illustrious House* to the Throne, he was twice at his Government of Gibraltar, once when it was threatned with a Siege, and again when it was actually besieged, where he was detained a full Year; the Preservation of which important Place, was much owing to his uncommon Vigilance, Conduct and Courage. On his Return, he was received by All with Applauses due to so singular a Service, which it was generally expected would have been distinguish'd by some great and signal Reward. Indeed he had the Honour of a most gracious Reception from both their Majesties; but we hear it so happened, that he died before he received any other Marks of his Majesty's Favour.

This Noble Lord was descended from the Noble and ancient Family of Airth in Scotland. His Father, Sir Alexander Colzier, was, for many signal Services, made Governor of Nanden and the Brill by the Prince of Orange, and sole Adjutant-General of the Armies of the States. This Lord carried Arms in the Prince of Orange's Guards at the Battle of Senef, the Siege of Oudenarde, and that of the Grave, where he gave such early Proofs of his good Behaviour, that he had the Command of a Company of Foot before he attained the Age of 16. He was afterwards at the Battles of Mount-Cassel, and St. Denis near Mons, where, for his Bravery, the Marquis de Castanaga, Governor of the Low Countries, made him a Major, and soon after Lieutenant Colonel. At the Revolution he was to have attended the Prince of Orange into England; but the Loss of an Eye in a private Quarrel, detained him in Holland; but upon his Arrival in England his Highness gave him Wauchop's Regiment. He served in Ireland; and was afterwards instrumental in the Reduction of Namur. Queen Anne had so good an Opinion of my Lord Portmore, that she made him Major-General in Spain under the Duke of Ormond, who having acquainted the Queen of his Lordships Services, particularly in securing the Retreat of the English near Port St. Mary's, her Majesty gave him Kirk's Regiment, and made him Lt. General under the Duke of Schomberg in Portugal. Upon the Removal of the Earl of Galway, he was made an Earl, and General of her Majesty's Forces in Chief there; and after two Years Service, upon his Return to England, made a Privy Counsellor, Governor of Gibraltar, and Knight of the most ancient and noble Order of S. Andrew. The last Service he was engaged in, was the Siege of Gibraltar, tho' he was about 80 Years old, and in a very bad State of Health: So that he served, in a Manner, from his Cradle to his Grave.

We hear that the Land Tax for the Year ensuing will be two Shillings in the Pound only; and that the Duty on Soap and Candles will be lessened.

From

From the Daily Poſt Boy Jan. 17.

London, Jan. 17. There's vaſt Intereſt making at Boſton in Lincolnſhire, for a Member to ſucceed Henry Pacey, Eſq; deceaſed; which occaſions much *Money* being ſpent there, tho' the 6 Candidates have declared they are all determined to ſtick to the very Letter of the Act againſt *Bribery*.

We hear the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Iſla will ſucceed the late Earl of Portmore as Knight of the moſt ancient and noble Order of the Thiſtle.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Jan. 20.

Since our laſt arrived the Mails due from Holland, France, and Flanders.

SOme Remarks upon the Pamphlet, intituled *A ſhort View of the State of Affairs, &c.* are now publiſhed; wherein the Author, who is ſuppoſed to be in high Station, obſerves, amongſt other Things, That we have done no more in the Treaty with Spain, than the Emperor himſelf did by the Quadruple Alliance; he conſented to the ſettling Don Carlos in Italy, in the very ſame Countries; and that the chief Fortreſſes ſhould be garriſoned with the ſame Number of Troops: The only Difference is, That the Spaniards having good Reaſon to doubt the Emperor's Sincerity, do not think themſelves ſo ſecure with neutral Troops, which they were to have been, as with a Body of Soldiers of their own Country. And as the Emperor has little Reaſon to complain, ſo it is certain we have very little; ſince we by this Means ſave the Payment of 2000 of thoſe neutral Troops, which we were before obliged to maintain. That as for the Conſequence of the Peace, the Emperor, according to all human Probability, will not go to War about it, becauſe he cannot have any lawful Pretence for it, and that he really has no great Proſpect of Succeſs: But ſuppoſing we were ſure of a War with the Emperor, we are better able to bear it, when we have Aſſiſtance of a beneficial Trade to help us, than when we draw all that we ſpend from a Treaſure which receives no Increaſe.

The Author towards the Concluſion takes Notice of the Fidelity of a certain Power, which he ſays has been as hearty in our Cauſe, as we would have been our ſelves; and that they have conſtantly been at a prodigious Expence; and at a moderate Computation, they have annually exceeded, upon the Account of the Differences with Spain, above a Million and a half. And yet after all this Charge they have agreed to this Treaty, without obtaining to themſelves any other Benefit, than that of preventing a War, and eſtabliſhing Quiet once more in Europe. And laſtly, that notwithſtanding the Diſcontent of ſome few in this Kingdom at this Peace, in all other Countries they are amazed it ſhould come out ſo much to our Advantage; and every Body is of Opinion, that no other Potentate in Europe has gained ſo much by it as our ſelves.

Yeſterday the Lords ordained the Biſhop of Briſtol to preach before them the 30th Inſtant. The Lord Lanſdown took the Oaths, and their Lordſhips adjourned till to morrow; as did alſo the Commons.

We hear ſome Propoſals are under Conſideration, for ſhortning the tedious and expenſive Proceedings in the Courts of Juſtice; and that in order thereto, all Cauſes in Chancery ſhall be finally determined in one Year. Orders are ſent to the Tower of London, to repair the Appartments where the State Priſoners are confined.

There was a very ſplendid Appearance at Court, of the Nobility, Foreign Miniſters, &c. this Day, to compliment the Prince of Wales, it being his Birth-day. This Afternon came on the Election of a Member of Parliament for the Borough of Southwark, in Room of Mr. Halſey deceaſed; the Candidates were, Richard Lewen Eſq; a Wool-Stapler, and Thomas Unwin Eſq; Hop-merchant. The latter, who is ſaid to be of the Tory Party, being declared to have the Majority of Hands, a Poll was demanded for Mr. Lewen, and to begin to Morrow Morning.

It is computed that from the 17th of October, when the new Bridge at Putney was finiſhed, to the 17th Inſtant, there was cleared by the Toll of the ſaid Bridge, after all Expences paid, L. 1000; ſo that the Proprietars are like to have large Intereſt for their Money. A Fellow was laſt Night committed to Newgate, for threatning to ſwear Sodomy againſt a Juſtice of Peace, if he would not ſend him an extravagant Sum of Money.

From the St. James's Evening Poſt, Jan. 20.

Seville, Decem. 29. Orders are given for getting ready a ſufficient Quantity of Ammunition and Proviſions of all Sorts, for the Subſiſtence of the Forces that are to embark for Italy about the Cloſe of April; and Sigr. Patino is in Treaty with Sigr. Gaburi a Bankier at Florence, concerning the Remittances that are to be made for their Pay. All the Spaniſh Officers are repairing to their Poſts,

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and 7 Men of War are ſpeedily expected at Cadix from Galicia.

Vienna, Jan. 11. Letters from Conſtantinople ſay, that the Turks had obtained a complete Victory over the Rebels in Egypt, killed above 50,000 of them on the Spot, put the reſt to Flight, and taken all their Baggage. They add, that the Porte is not only arming by Sea and Land, but that the Cham of Tartary is ordered to do the like. With what View this is done, Time muſt ſhew; but we are aſſured, in caſe of a War in Italy, the Imperial Army there will be commanded by the Count de Harach, under the Direction of the Count de Daun Governor of the Dutchy of Milan. 'Tis reported, that General Zumjungen, who commands the Emperor's Forces in the Netherlands, will be ſent for to Court, and that a R. Catholick General will be ordered thither in his Room: And we are aſſured, that none but Officers of that Communion will be promoted to the principal Commands in the Army any more.

Amſterdam, Jan 24. They write from Brunſwick, that the Miniſters of the Princes Mediators had propoſed (in order to facilitate the Exchange of the Pruſſian and Hanoverian Soldiers) to begin with the Subaltern Officers, and to proceed to the Soldiers; but that this Propoſition had not been agreed to by the Court of Hanover. 'Tis added, that the Pruſſian Soldiers arreſted in the Country of Lunenburg, who by the Convention were put under the Guard of the Troops of Wolfembuttle, had been put under different Guards, becauſe they were ſuſpected of having formed a Deſign to make their Eſcape.

Paris, Jan. 25. We learn from Sexille, that on the 1ſt Inſt. the Miniſters of France, Spain and England, made an Exchange of the Ratifications of the late Treaty; and that they expected the Act of the Ratification of the States General thereof ſuddenly.

Bruſſels, Jan. 16. Yeſterday arrived a Courier from Vienna, with important Diſpatches for the Archdutcheſs, who held a Council upon the ſame. The Emperor's Forces in the Auſtrian Netherlands recruit with all poſſible Diligence.

Hamburg, Jan. 20. They write from Berlin, that his Pruſſian Majeſty had lately made a conſiderable Addition to his tall Grenadiers.

Dover, Jan. 16. We hear from Dunkirk, that Col. Chartris was there lately, and having ſome Diſputes with the Officers there, they had detained his Coach and Horſes.

London, Jan. 20. Laſt Wedneſday a Motion was made before the Lord Chancellor, in favour of Mr. Alderman Child, in order to ſet aſide the Injunction that Col. Chartris had obtain'd in Chancery againſt the Alderman for his paying 5000 l. for the Colonel, which he ſays was forged; and the ſame was ordered to be ſet aſide accordingly.

From the Evening Poſt, Jan. 20.

Vienna, Jan. 11. Two Days ago 1510 Recruits were ſent hence for our Troops in Italy; and ſeveral more Regiments will be ordered thither, beſides thoſe already nam'd. The Pope's Nuncio takes a great deal of Pains to hinder, at leaſt to ſuſpend the March of ſo many Troops to Italy, till his Holineſs has received an Anſwer to the Letters he has written to the King and Queen of Spain, wherein he propoſes a Scheme for preſerving the publick Tranquillity.

Hague, Jan. 24. They continue to work at Cadix, without ceaſing, on the Equipment of a numerous Squadron, to be employed on a great Expedition next Spring.

They write from Florence, that the Great Duke and the Duke of Parma were firmly reſolved to oppoſe the Paſſage of Troops into their Countries; and would be aſſiſted by the Holy See, the King of Sardinia, and another Potentate. They add, that Orders were given for raiſing 10,000 Foot, and buying 6000 Horſes.

London, Jan. 29. Yeſterday, his R. Highneſs's the Pridce of Wales's Birthday, was deſign'd to have been celebrated; but an Order was ſent to all the publick Offices to keep it on the 20th of January, he being born after 12 at Night.

Yeſterday the Lord Lanſdown, who has been ſome Years in France, was introduc'd to the Houſe of Peers, and took the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy.

Edinburgh, Jan. 26. Thurſday Night laſt died at his Lodgings in this City, in the 74 Year of his Age, the Rt. Hon. Robert Earl of Morton, &c. He is ſucceeded in the Honours, and an opulent Eſtate, by his Brother Colonel George Douglas of Belfield, Repreſentative in Parliament for Orkney and Zetland. His Lordſhip is now a Widower, and has only two Children; James now Lord Aberdowie, and Maſter Robert, an Officer of Murray's Regiment in Ireland.

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Monday last, being the Anniverſary of the Birth-Day of his Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales, the Rt. Hon. the Counteſs of Lauderdale was brought to bed of a Son, who is named *Frederick-Lewis*.

Several Robberies have been committed in and about this City. On Saturday laſt, about 10 o' Clock at Night, one Robert Bryſon Merchant in Leith, was attacked betwixt Edinburgh and Leith by a Rogue, who held a Piſtol to his Breaſt, and demanded his Money. Mr. Bryſon told him he had none. Upon which the Fellow replied, What, Sirrah! have you not ſeen our late circular Letter, requiring all Travellers to carry at leaſt 10 ſh. about with them, upon Pain of being ſeverely drubb'd, and with that ſnapp'd his Piſtol, which luckily miſgave; whereupon the Rogue took to his Heels and run off. Soon after, one James Bunkel Sadler in Canongate, coming up, they went in Purſuit of the Rogue, and not far from the Spot, apprehened one George Catto, a Reſidenter at the Back of the Wall, with a loaded Piſtol in hand, whom they committed to the City Guard.

This Day (being the 19th of the Moon) 'tis High Water at Leith at 4, 42 Min. Tomorrow, at 5, 30 Min. On Wedneday, at 6, 18 Min.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

¶ That the Houſe of BALGAVIS, conſiſting of eight Fire-rooms, ſix whereof are box'd and finiſhed, beſides good Cellars and Garrets, with neceſſary Officehouſes; lying in Sheriffdom of Forfar, 3 Miles eaſt from the Town of Forfar; is to be ſette, from Whitſunday next 1730, for one or more Years, as can be agreed on, by Sir Alexander Wedderburn of Blackneſs, near Dundee, or Alexr. or Tho. Renniet Merchants in Montroſe. After Martinmaſs next, the Taxman may have Opportunity of taking the Garden and Dovecoat, adjacent thereto.

To be Sold,

A Parcel of LAND, very improvable, paying at preſent of yearly Rent about *L.* 220 Scots, beſides Caſualities, lying in the Pariſh of Kirknewton, within 7 Miles of the City of Edinburgh, Weſtward; as alſo the Superiority of other Lands adjacent, paying of yearly Feu-duty about *L.*60 Scots, all which hold Blanch of the Crown; and likewiſe two large and convenient Dwelling-houſes, well finiſhed, with a Garden to each, and neceſſary Office houſes, one of them lying near to the Eaſt-end of Foulbridge, and the other, a little to the Weſtward of Caſtle-barns; together with a large Garden, and a convenient Houſe for the Gardner, paying *L.*70 Scots yearly; with two little Houſes paying about *L.* 31 Scots yearly. Any Perſon who has a mind to purchaſe theſe, or any of them, may be ſatisfied as to the Right, by Mr. ALEXANDER STEVENSON of Montgreenan, Writer to the Signet, who is to be found at his Lodgings in the Parliament-cloſe.

¶ That the Ship the JOSEPH OF DUNDEE, Robert Ranken late Maſter, North-Carolina built, about 110 Tons Burden, is to be expoſed to Sale by way of voluntary Roup, at Inverneſs, (where ſhe preſently lies) againſt the Twentieth Day of February next. Inventary and Conditions of Roup are to be ſeen at the Coffeehouſe of Inverneſs, at Scot's Coffeehouſe in Dundee, and at John's Coffeehouſe in Edinburgh.

¶ Whereas on Monday the 29th of December laſt, a BLACK COW was left by one Thomas Henderſon (a looſe kind of a Fellow) in the Stable of William Cochran Candlemaker in Canongate-Foot; and the ſaid Henderſon having never ſince appeared: Whoever can prove her to be their Property, may have her, on Payment of her Maintenance, &c. With Certification.

¶ That there are ſeveral ROOMS of LAND, with convenient *Steedings* built thereon, of greater and ſmaller Extent, either to be *feued*, or *ſette in long Tacks*, in the Barony of Kerſe, lying about a Mile from, and within the Pariſh of Falkirk, and Sheriffdom of Stirling. The Progreſs, and Conditions of the Feus, are to be ſeen in the Hands of THOMAS ELIOT Writer, at the Inſurance-Office in Edinburgh; or JOHN HAY of Candie, at his Houſe near Borroſtounneſs; or at the Houſe of Kerſe.

To be Sold,

A convenient, large, well finiſh'd LODGING, about the Middle of Cant's Cloſe, below *The Sign of the Sun*; conſiſting of five Fire-rooms, a Kitchen, four large well-lighted Cloſets, and two dark ones, beſides ſeveral Preſſes and other Conveniencies, with two Cellars off the Kitchen, and a Garret above it. The Lodging has a handſome little Graſs yard, and enters off the Cloſe by a Gate, all within itſelf. Enquire at James Muirhead's Coffeehouſe; or, a good Progreſs of Writs may be ſeen in the Hands of John Buchanan Writer, in Mrs. Don's Cloſe.

The Wood of ALLOA, conſiſting of Oak, Aſh, Aller or Arns, and ſome Birch, lying hard by the Harbour of Alloa, from whence the Timber may be eaſily tranſported by Water, is to be expoſed to Sale by way of publick Auction or Roup, in the Tolbooth of Alloa, on the firſt Wedneſday (which is the Fourth Day) of February next. The Articles of Roup and Sale are to be ſeen, at Edinburgh in John's Coffeehouſe; at Stirling, in the Hands of John Watſon Writer there; and at Alloa, in the Hands of John Erskine Clerk of Alloa.

The laſt General Meeting of the DONORS to the Hoſpital for SICK POOR, having ſettled the Rules for the Management thereof, did adjourn the Election of MANAGERS to another General Meeting of Donors, which they authorized the Committee to call, and intimate for that Effect: And accordingly the ſaid Meeting of Donors is appointed to be held on this Monday the 26th Inſt. at 3 o' clock after Noon, in the Burrow-room, in order to elect Managers for this current Year. All Subſcribers for Donations who have not yet paid, are earneſtly intreated to pay the ſame, that they may be entitled to vote, and that the Stock may be ſettled at Intereſt, for defraying the Charges of the Hoſpital, which is already conſiderable.

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